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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

This is in response to the final Official Action in this case mailed September 18, 2008. Authorization to charge a credit card has been provided upon electronic filing of this amendment to extend the term for response to March 18, 2009 and to provide for the fee for the Request for Continued Examination. Applicant(s) believes that no other extension of time is required. However, Applicant(s) conditionally petitions for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that the need for such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked. As provided below, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2121 for any required fee.

Applicant(s) appreciates the Examiner's thorough examination of the subject application and request reconsideration of the subject application in view of the following:

- Amendments to the Claims, beginning on Page 2 of this paper; and
- Remarks, beginning on Page 7 of this paper.